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This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

1. (original) A seating device comprising:
 - an air source;
 - a bench fluidly connected to the air source, and having a frontal wall, a deck, and defining an interior space into which air from the air source is received, the frontal wall having perforations through which the air is exhausted to the deck;
 - the deck defining an interior space into which the air is received, the deck extending from the frontal wall of the bench and having a top surface;
 - the top surface of the deck having a plurality of perforations through which the air is exhausted; and
 - a rack structure comprising a heating element, a duct having a plurality of substantially hollow posts, each of the plurality of posts having a terminal support, and each terminal support having a top surface and at least one opening.
2. (original) The seating device of claim 1 wherein the heating element is an electric heater.
3. (original) The seating device of claim 1 wherein the heating element is the air source.
4. (original) The seating device of claim 3 wherein the rack structure has a plurality of hollow connectors fluidly connecting the bench to the rack structure and receiving the air from the air source to flow into the duct.
5. (original) The seating device of claim 4 wherein the bench and the heating rack comprise a unibody construction comprised of injection-molded fiberglass.
6. (original) The seating device of claim 1 wherein the posts are separated from each other at a distance of 11 to 12 inches and the terminal supports are 4 to 4.5 inches in diameter and 4 to 4.5 inches in height.
7. (original) The seating device of claim 6 wherein the rack structure is an equipment heating rack and each terminal support being adapted selectively to support the equipment.

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8. (previously presented) A portable seating device comprising:
- an air source;
- a substantially hollow bench having a footwall, the bench fluidly connected to the air source at an opening, and further defining an interior space into which air is received via the opening, the bench also having a substantially hollow deck extending outwardly from the footwall of the bench;
- the deck having a top surface, a back wall and a front wall, the front wall having a surface for substantially flush engagement with the footwall portion of the bench when the deck is in a retracted position, and a back wall having a surface for substantially flush engagement with the footwall portion of the bench when the deck is in an extended position, the back wall of the deck having a plurality of perforations through which the air is exhausted from the interior space of the bench into the deck when the deck is in its extended position, and the top surface of the having a plurality of perforations through which air is exhausted from the device.
9. (original) The seating device of claim 8 further comprising retractable wheels mounted to both ends of the portable seating device.
10. (original) The seating device of claim 9 wherein the wheels have multiple locking positions.
11. (previously presented) The seating device of claim 8 wherein the air source is an air conditioning or refrigeration unit supplying cool air.
12. (previously presented) A portable seating device comprising:
- an air source;
- a substantially hollow bench having a footwall, the bench fluidly connected to the air source at an opening, and further defining an interior space into which air is received via the opening, the bench also having a substantially hollow deck extending outwardly from the footwall of the bench;

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the deck having a top surface, a back wall and a front wall, the front wall having a surface for substantially flush engagement with the footwall portion of the bench when the deck is in a retracted position, and a back wall having a surface for substantially flush engagement with the footwall portion of the bench when the deck is in an extended position, the back wall of the deck having a plurality of perforations through which the air is exhausted from the interior space of the bench into the deck when the deck is in its extended position, and the top surface of the having a plurality of perforations through which air is exhausted from the device; and

further comprising a rack structure having a heating element, a duct having a plurality of substantially hollow posts, each of the plurality of posts having a terminal support, and each terminal support having at least one opening.

13. (original) The seating device of claim 12 wherein the posts are separated from each other at a distance of 11 to 12 inches and the terminal supports are 4 to 4.5 inches in diameter and 4 to 4.5 inches in height.

14. (original) The seating device of claim 13 the rack structure is an equipment heating rack and each terminal support being adapted selectively to support the equipment.

Claims 15-30 (withdrawn).

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